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SUBJ: HONG KONG'S CHIEF NCNA REPORTER COMMENTS ON PRC ECONOMY

REF: HONG KONG 5732

1. HONG KONG'S CHIEF NCNA REPORTER SZETU KEUNG TOLD CONGENOFF ON MAY 25 THAT THE PRC ECONOMY IS DOING "MUCH BETTER THAN WE EXPECTED". IN FACT, SZETU SAID PRC ECONOMIC OFFICIALS WERE NOW REVISING THE CURRENT YEAR'S PLAN UPWARD TO REFLECT THE RAPID RATE OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY. IN PARTICULAR, RAILROADS WERE NOW RUNNING A "REMARKABLE" 97 PER CENT ON SCHEDULE AND COAL PRODUCTION HAD SHOWN "GREAT IMPROVEMENT". HE SAID MUCH OF THE PROBLEM WITH THE COAL INDUSTRY IN RECENT YEARS HAD BEENUE TO DELIVERY PROBLEMS. STEEL WAS DOING "MUCH BETTER" AFTER THE POOR SHOWING IN THE PAST TWO YEARS.

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2. CONGENOFF INQUIRED ABOUT VICE PREMIER YU CHIULI'S MAY 9 REFERENCE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SIX EXONOMIC ZONES WITHIN THE PRC. SZETU RESPONDED THAT THE ZONES ARE TO BE CONSIDERED A "CONCEPT" FOR PLANNING PURPOSES AND NO REGIONAL PARTY COMMITTEES OR ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAUS WOULD BE

CREATED WITHIN THE ZONES. EACH ZONE WAS DESIGNED
TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIC SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND INTER-
PROVINCIAL ECONOMIC COORDINATIONWITHIN EACH ZONE
WOULD BE HANDLED IN PEKING.
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